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DECLARATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or the below named inventors believe they are the original, first and joint inventors (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **PROCESS FOR THE GENERATION OF OLIGONUCLEOTIDE LIBRARIES (OLs) REPRESENTATIVE OF GENOMES OR EXPRESSED mRNAs (cDNAs) AND USES THEREOF**, the specification of which:

_____ is attached hereto.

X was filed on July 6, 2001 as Application Serial No. 09/869,891.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability of the subject matter claimed in this application, as "materiality" is defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATION(S)			Priority Claimed
<u>2,259,745</u> (Number)	<u>Canada</u> (Country)	<u>January 19, 1999</u> (Date Filed)	Yes
<u>PCT/CA00/00047</u> (Number)	<u>PCT</u> (Country)	<u>January 19, 2000</u> (Date Filed)	Yes

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me to be material to the patentability of the subject matter claimed in this application, as "materiality" is defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56, which become available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

<u>N/A</u> (Application Serial No.)	<u></u> (Filing Date)	<u></u> (Status)
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I hereby claim the benefit under title 35, United States code §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

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I hereby declare that all statements made of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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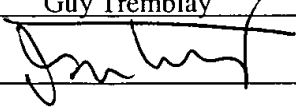
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For: **PROCESS FOR THE GENERATION OF OLIGONUCLEOTIDE LIBRARIES (OLs)
REPRESENTATIVE OF GENOMES OR EXPRESSED mRNAs (cDNAs) AND USES
THEREOF**

**VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY
STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(F) AND 1.27(D)) – NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION**

I hereby declare that I am

- ☐ the owner of the small business concern identified below:
☒ an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below:

NAME OF CONCERN: UNIVERSITÉ DE MONTRÉAL
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I hereby declare that the above identified nonprofit organization qualifies as a nonprofit organization as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(e), for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35 United States Code, in that the above identified nonprofit organization is a university or other institution of higher education located in any country.

I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention entitled **PROCESS FOR THE GENERATION OF OLIGONUCLEOTIDE LIBRARIES (OLs) REPRESENTATIVE OF GENOMES OR EXPRESSED mRNAs (cDNAs) AND USES THEREOF** by inventor(s) described in

- ☐ the specification filed herewith
☒ application serial no.: 09/869,891, filed July 6, 2001
☐ patent no.: _____, issued

If the rights held by the above identified nonprofit organization are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights to the invention is listed below* and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who could not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

*NOTE: Separate verified statements are required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to the invention averring to their status as small entities. (37 CFR 1.27)

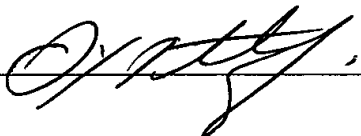
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☐ Individual ☐ Small Business Concern ☒ Nonprofit Organization

I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

NAME OF PERSON SIGNING: Jean Yvon TimothyTITLE OF PERSON OTHER THAN OWNER: Director Industrial Liaison Office and GrantsADDRESS OF PERSON SIGNING: Same as aboveSIGNATURE:  DATE: October 22, 2001